



‘Man of Honor’ Brashear Dies at NMCP

By MCSN Casandra Newell, Fleet Public Affairs Center Atlantic

Retired Master Chief Carl Brashear, the Navy’s first black Master Diver and a man whose boundless determination inspired every walk of life, died July 25 at NMCP of respiratory and heart failure. He was 75.

Nearly 800 family, friends, active duty and retired service members gathered at the Naval Amphibious Base (NAB) Little Creek Chapel July 29, to pay their final respects.

“We gather to pay tribute to a seaman, a Sailor in whose chest beat the most valiant heart of all,” said NAB Little Creek command master chief, CMDCM(AW/SW) Hakim Diaz, speaking on behalf of Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy Joe R. Campa.

Brashear’s son Phillip, a Chief Warrant Officer 4 in the U.S. Army, who returned from service in Iraq on emergency leave to be at his father’s bedside when he passed away, spoke candidly about his father’s courage and character.

“He taught people worldwide that your race, your gender, your religion, none of that makes any difference,” said Phillip. “You can achieve your goals, you can be held accountable to your characteristics as a person, not by



Photo by MC3 Matthew Leistikow

A portrait of Master Chief Boatswain’s Mate (Master Diver) Carl M. Brashear sits next to his casket during a memorial service held at the base Chapel aboard Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek. The movie ‘Man of Honor’ was based on Brashear.

the color of your skin.”

Brashear joined the Navy in 1948 at the age of 17, shortly after the Navy had desegregated. In 1954 he was accepted and graduated from the diving program.

During the service, retired Master Diver J. Lamont King, the fifth black American in history to earn the title spoke about Brashear’s legacy.

Hundreds of mourners listened as many stood up to share their thoughts and feelings on the passing of their shipmate.

“Carl, a man with such humble beginnings, has touched so many people,” said King. “He represented African-Americans. He represented people with disabilities. He represented the United States Navy. He represented veterans. He was the best of the best of what was truly American.”

In 1967, a year after an injury onboard the salvage ship Hoist cost him his left leg, Brashear became the first Navy diver to be restored to full active duty as an amputee.

Goose Take a Gander at That!!

By Deborah Kallgren, NMCP Public Affairs Officer



These two-dimensional cardboard animals – a wolf and a fox – are the latest tools NMCP is using to minimize the Canada Goose population on base.

“This is part of a continuing effort to solve an ongoing problem,” said Bob Wall, NMCP Environmental and Natural Resources Manager. Wall explained that the goose droppings are the main problem. Not only are they messy and unsightly, but they carry disease.

Photos by MCSA James Holcroft

“After a ‘wolf’ was put in position, there were no goose droppings on the helo pad,” Wall said.

The presence of the 2-D predators, in conjunction with efforts to dry up fresh water, chasing the geese off and applying bad-tasting spray on grass, seems to be helping rid the base of the geese. On the day these photos were taken, no Canada Geese were in sight.



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Advancement Jeopardy Helps with Exam

By HN Charles Hollingsworth

Alex Trebek wasn't there, but senior enlisted Sailors from all around Hampton Roads were. They volunteered to assist with NMCP's advancement exam training class the week of August 14 and modeled some of the class after the popular TV game show "Jeopardy."

The class lasted five days with question and answer sessions wrapping up the training the last two days. HM1 Katrina Kirgis coordinated the Q&A session in a trivia game format which most attendees seemed to favor.

"I've been doing the game since I've been at the command," said Kirgis. "I started the game in the laboratory, and then took it to a directorate level."

Kirgis pitched the idea of incorporating a trivia game as part of the training to the Senior Enlisted Petty Officers Association.

"I told them I thought it would be a perfect forum after they had gotten the subject matter



training," said Kirgis. The association agreed with Kirgis and she implemented the first trivia session into the curriculum.

"Whenever you combine a learning experience with an interactive [environment] for fun, it will always go positively," said HM3 Lucky Freitas of Boone Clinic. Freitas was one of the most active participants during the Q&A session.

"I think it was great," said HM2 Gentry Lloyd, who hopes to advance to Petty Officer First Class. "I liked the way they combined the

educational classes and then went over all the references in the bibliography. And they found [material] in the bibliography for all ranks, so no one was left out."

The training session included material for all junior enlisted ranks. Nearly 70 participants attended. According to several Sailors who attended previous trainings, the sessions are very helpful.

"There were seven people at our command who went last year," said Freitas. Of the seven who attended, six advanced.

NMCP Sailors of the 2nd Quarter

Senior SOQ



HM1 Danny Davis, Oceana BMC

Junior SOQ



HM2 Stacey Trimner, Radiology

Blue Jacket



HN Charity Sibal, Laboratory

Wave 1 in, Wave 2 out for EMF Kuwait

Photos by MCSA James Holcroft



NMCP's Expeditionary Medical Force (EMF) Kuwait Wave 1 Sailors returned home August 19. They had been deployed since February. They were greeted by shipmates, family and friends at the NMCP gymnasium. NMCP Commander Rear Adm. Thomas Cullison led the welcoming party.



EMF Wave 2 Sailors (right) departed for Kuwait August 17.



NMCP Honors Physicians of the Quarter

By HN Charles Hollingsworth

The Physician of the Quarter Award is a special recognition designated to health care practitioners who display exceptional qualities in their clinical expertise, leadership, mentoring initiative and community service. Their dedication to excellence in all aspects of their

performance as military physicians is impressive and inspiring. There are three award categories each quarter: Senior Medical Officer, Junior Medical Officer and Medical Officer In-Training.



(left) Senior Medical Officer of the Quarter Cmdr. Timothy Shope of Pediatrics. Shope is a Department of Defense Medical Consultant for child care. He is also a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics section on Early Education and Child Care. He has served as the Residency Program Director for Pediatrics the last two years.



(above) Junior Medical Officer of the Quarter Christina Collura-Burke, acting head of Allergy and Immunology. Collura-Burke serves as the Clinical Champion for the Asthma Clinical Action Team. From April through June, the Allergy Clinic saw 2,874 patients.



(left) Medical Officer In-Training of the Quarter Cmdr. James Hancock of Emergency Medicine. Hancock collaterally served as resident representative to the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff. He voluntarily coordinates and coaches rotating medical students.

Photos by HM1 Daniel Benton

Pyxis System Continues to Aid Pharmacy

By Jacky Fisher, NMCP Public Affairs Office

The Institute of Medicine recently released a report, *Preventing Medication Errors*, which cites the prevalence of such errors in the U.S. and outlines a comprehensive approach to decrease the prevalence of these errors.

In the Navy, Adverse Drug Events are rare. That's due in part to Pyxis, an automated dispensing system used for inpatient medication.

Pyxis enables nursing, pharmacy and clinicians to work more effectively and efficiently as a team in their efforts to deliver safe, high-quality patient care.

Naval Medical Center Portsmouth has used Pyxis for more than a decade and recently upgraded to Version 3000. DoD-wide, this system and similar automated systems have been in use for more than 20 years.

Pyxis does more than push pills to inpatients and those who have an extended stay in the hospital. "Pyxis is an automated dispensing system that includes an order transmission system, automated dispensing cabinets and reporting software," said Lt. Cmdr. Ed Vonberg, Assistant Service Line Leader for NMCP's Pharmacy.

The order transmission system consists of high definition scanners that transmit orders to pharmacy monitors. It has made the use of fax machines obsolete. "It is much easier to read orders now," said Vonberg.

Using fax machines is not the only method that Pyxis has made

HM1 Reginald Burdette of the pharmacy demonstrates the automated dispensing system Pyxis.



Photo by MCSA James Holcroft

obsolete. Medication dispersal used to be accomplished in one of two 'old-fashioned' means—clinic stock issues and cartfills.

Vonberg said, "Clinic/ward stocks were small supplies of low-risk but frequently used medications that each individual area was responsible for tracking. Cartfills involved pharmacy printing a list of medications each patient will need for the next 24 hours, filling the medications into patient bins, and walking them up to the floors daily."

With Pyxis, not only is there less risk for medication mix-ups, but there is also more security, better tracking of supplies and faster re-ordering to keep supplies properly stocked. 33 separate automated dispensing cabinets securely store, control access to and track medication use. Fingerprint scanners control access to each cabinet.

Additionally, the software tracks supply levels, transactions and provides drug information to anyone with the proper access.

The reporting software allows the pharmacy to monitor and improve drug use. When a specific medication is removed from the cabinet, Pyxis provides helpful

safety tips for the use of that drug. New information on drugs can be programmed in as it becomes available so medical professionals stay current and on the cutting edge of medicine.

Pyxis helps optimize workflow by making more frequently used medication instantaneously accessible for inpatients. "Pyxis has taken over (clinic/ward stock issues and cartfills) by keeping a stock of all of the emergency medications and frequently used daily medications at the ready," said Vonberg.

Pyxis will even automatically notify pharmacy via a designated printer located in pharmacy as patients' needs change so new medication can be either added to a floor or refilled if the stock is low.

What future safeguards can NMCP inpatients look forward to with Pyxis? With the upgrade to the Version 3000 and when the pharmacy moves away from CHCS (the current computer system) to GE Centricity, Pyxis will be able to barcode medications from the warehouse to the patient. "This factor will improve patient safety," said Vonberg.

Plane Tickets Donated through ‘Hero Miles’

From the Fisher House Foundation

The Fisher House Foundation now administers the “Hero Miles” program for the Department of Defense. The program is comprised of individual airlines whose passengers donate their frequent flyer miles to assist service members and their families.

Specifically, the foundation provides free airline tickets to military men and women who are undergoing treatment at a military or VA medical center incident to their service in Iraq or Afghanistan, and their families.

There are two categories of eligible recipients: 1) service men and women with an approved leave of five or more days may be given a free round-trip airline ticket for a trip from the medical center to their home and return if they are not eligible for government funded airfare; 2) qualifying service men and women may be given free round-trip airline tickets to enable their family or close friends to visit them while they are being treated at the medical center.

The request for tickets will ordinarily originate with the service member and be forwarded to Fisher House Foundation by the social work staff or family assistance center at a medical center, or through service casualty offices. Only under exceptional circumstances should family members contact Fisher House Foundation directly. The forms needed for the foundation to process the request for tickets can be obtained from the foundation’s Web site, www.fisherhouse.org. A



Photo by MCSA James Holcroft

NMCP’s Fisher House is one of 34 comfort homes on the grounds of military and VA major medical centers.

case manager or other individual from the patient’s medical facility must validate the request form.

Overseas travel requires a passport and may require a visa. The country of citizenship and passport number must be provided to Fisher House Foundation at the time of the request so the information can be given to the airline reservations agent processing the request. Airlines must be given the telephone number of an individual who can be in immediate contact with the traveler in case of a schedule change.

Fisher House Foundation has written agreements with individual airlines that contain specific criteria for the use of the

miles donated to “Hero Miles” program. It is for this reason that the foundation must ensure that the miles are used only for service members whose hospitalization is the result of service in Iraq or Afghanistan.

Participating airlines include Delta Air Lines, U.S. Airways and United Airlines.

Fisher House Foundation is best known for the network of 34 comfort homes on the grounds of military and VA major medical centers. The houses are 5,000 to 16,000 square foot homes, with up to 21 suites, donated to the military and VA by the Fisher family of New York through Fisher House Foundation.

Combined Federal Campaign Set

CFC kicks off with a cake cutting September 18. Many other events are planned, including a fun run/walk scheduled for September 27. Last year’s campaign raised over \$5 million in the South Hampton Roads area. Be sure to contact your command’s representative to donate to the CFC.

Flu Vaccine at NMCP Earlier than Ever

By Deborah Kallgren, NMCP Public Affairs Officer

While it may be several months before the official start of flu season, Naval Medical Center Portsmouth has already received 24,000 doses of FluMist, the nasal flu vaccine.

The vaccine shipment arrived at NMCP in early August, the earliest in the season that flu shots have ever arrived here. Additionally, NMCP was one of the first commands to acquire the vaccine.

Immunization spokeswoman CherylAnn Kraft said this shipment represents about half the FluMist allocated to NMCP. The second half of the FluMist will arrive in the fall, as will the traditional injectible flu vaccine.

Health care workers and healthy shore-based active duty who are deploying will be the first to be immunized. Eligible TRICARE beneficiaries will be immunized starting in September.



Courier file photo

NMCP has received 24,000 doses of FluMist, the nasal flu vaccine. NMCP will also have the traditional injectible vaccine later in the fall.

Oakleaf Club Donates to Wards, Clinics

Photo by MCSA James Holcroft



Oakleaf Club President Michelle Faison presents NMCP Commander, Rear Adm. Thomas Cullison (center), and Deputy Commander, Capt. Bruce Gillingham items on clinics' yearly wish lists. Items included toys, DVD players and posters.

NMCP's Oakleaf Officers' Wives' Club recently donated nearly \$10,000 worth of items to clinics and wards of the command. Each year, departments submit lists of items desired but are not approved for command funds due to budget restrictions.

"We hope that everyone enjoys them," said Oakleaf Club president Michelle Faison. "We certainly know they are needed."

The club used various fundraisers to gather money, including bake sales and an auction.

Items included DVDs and DVD players, children's toys, even socket covers, which Faison joked must have been a result of JCAHO.

"Thanks for your dedication to the hospital and support throughout the year," said Rear Adm. Thomas Cullison.

The Aftermath of Alcohol Misuse

By HMI Eduardo Ortiz, Command DAPA

Alcohol misuse or abuse that is not recognized and treated through the command, or a failure to self-refer to treatment may result in an alcohol incident. An alcohol incident is an offense, punishable under the UCMJ or civilian laws, committed by a member, to which in the judgment of the member's CO, the offender's consumption of alcohol was a contributing factor.

Alcohol abuse/dependency screening is **MANDATORY** for members who are involved in an alcohol incident, regardless of their rank or status. Examples of events after which a member shall be screened include DUI/DWI, drunkenness or drunk and disorderly conduct and alcohol-related civilian arrests.

Alcohol-related misconduct is a significant fitness/performance factor. The Secretary of the Navy has determined any substantiated drunk driving offense (i.e., DUI/DWI), when found

guilty, to be a substantial failure in judgment, behavior and leadership. Such a lack of personal responsibility and general disregard for the safety of oneself and the public is incompatible with the high standards of conduct and behavior expected of members of the Naval Service.

Alcohol-related misconduct should weigh along with all other performance factors during a reporting period. The severity of the misconduct should be a significant factor in the evaluation process.

If a member experiences alcohol-related misconduct and is subsequently promoted/selected, then the period in which the misconduct took place should be weighed against all similarly evaluated periods when considering future recommendations and assignments.

Alcohol-related misconduct should normally be reported when the next fitness or evaluation report

comes due. A special report may be submitted, however, if the reporting senior believes that facts should be placed on the record before the next occasion for a report (member eligible for promotion selection board occurring prior to next reporting period, withdrawal of advancement recommendation of enlisted member for an advancement cycle, etc.). Reporting seniors should

consult the Navy Performance Evaluation and Counseling System, NAVPERCOM Instruction 1610.10, for guidance on submission of special reports.

Discipline will be appropriate to the offense. All disciplinary action will be completed before rehabilitation can occur.

Enabling allows individuals to continue their abusive behavior without suffering the natural consequences of their behavior. It helps people avoid facing facts by minimizing actions, rescues

people out of troublesome situations caused by their own actions and protects people from facing the consequences of their own actions.

Enablers can include well-intentioned supervisors and leaders, leaders and supervisors who care about their people, co-workers, friends, spouses, etc.

What Enablers Often Say

- "I don't want to affect their career."
- "Maybe if I were a better supervisor, she wouldn't have gotten into trouble."
- "I don't want to label anyone as a drunk or addict."
- "I can't afford to lose them from the job."

Enabling consequences are harmful to the individual. It encourages irresponsible or self-destructive behavior. It also prevents individuals from realizing what they're doing.

Enabling also hurts the Navy because it increases the number of incidents and impacts readiness.



The Courier Chapline

God Sees Us Through All Times

By Lt.Cmdr. George Moon, Chaplain, Pastoral Care

Most of the time, Sailors and Marines request the usual trappings when it comes to ceremonies. Retirements, re-enlistments, changes of commands, all come with a certain conventions or rules to follow.

For instance, usually a retirement will have a posting of the colors, the passing of the flag, a reading of “The Watch”, and somewhere in there, Lee Greenwood’s song, “Proud to be an American”. Chaplains are requested to perform an opening prayer and a benediction at many of these ceremonies. And we are more than happy to oblige. The program seems to follow a set format with very few variations. However, the settings of the ceremony can vary widely.

I have performed ceremonies in the usual places, retirements on the USS WISCONSIN, changes of commands on the parade field and weddings at the seashore. But there have been some unusual places as well: The Seabee chief who wanted to be retired on top of a telephone pole. Each participant climbed a pole, strapped themselves on and remained there until the ceremony was over.

I have performed wedding ceremonies while standing in the ocean, in my office, in the woods, on the deck of a ship, in people’s houses and other unusual settings. But the most unusual place I have performed a wedding ceremony was in the ICU department just a few weeks ago.

The Sailor had been engaged to his fiancée for over a year when he had an accident rendering him paralyzed from the waist down. It was only a few weeks before their intended wedding date. While visiting the couple in his room one day, they asked if I would perform the ceremony in the next



few days. We then began intensive premarital counseling sessions. After a few days, I knew this couple would make it.

The ICU staff and I confronted them with every possible situation we could imagine. All through the sessions, Brittany and Cody gave well thought out, mature answers to every situation. The response that stuck with me most was from Brittany, “Well Chaplain, if this had happened on our honeymoon, we would be married and I would be facing the same things you all are describing.” So with some creative decorating from the ICU staff, the ceremony was held and the couple was wedded in Cody’s ICU room.

We can learn a lot of spiritual truths from Cody and Brittany. But the one I walked away with is, when you love someone it doesn’t matter what the situation is, with God’s help you can make it through, together. Brittany and Cody knew what might be facing them in the future, but they constantly maintained that God would help them through it.

You may feel you can’t make it through the situation you are facing. You may feel like giving up or quitting, but there is a resource that can help you get through. Try talking to a chaplain today about it.

NMCRS Honors Volunteers at Breakfast

Story and photo by HN Charles Hollingsworth

Naval Medical Center Portsmouth's Navy Marine Corps Relief Society honored its volunteers by hosting an awards breakfast at IHOP in Chesapeake July 28.

NMCRS, a non-profit organization, provides financial and educational assistance to eligible service members and their families. The organization relies exclusively on charitable contributions from service members and other sources.

Volunteers are crucial to the organization's ability to provide financial support for its beneficiaries.

"We could not run this organization without our volunteers," said Sara Stewart, NMCRS director. "If I had to pay everyone who volunteers (even) minimum wage, we couldn't run it."

Many NMCRS volunteers join as a productive alternative to staying at home or to gain experience in social services.

"I was trying to get out of the house away from my kids," joked Bree Burns, 27, NMCRS Volunteer of the Quarter. "I didn't want to be a stay-at-home mom for five years who just tried to jump back into the field (without job skills)."

Burns, whose background is in respiratory therapy, said she hoped her experience as a volunteer would benefit her career ambitions in social services as a case manager. "Hopefully, I'll have some skills that I can provide so that I can get a job."



Jessica Kopf is one of the many volunteers who help the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society. NMCRS Portsmouth Director Sarah Stewart says they could not operate without volunteers.

Burns started off as a secretary for NMCRS, then volunteered as an instructor for the *Budget for Baby Class*, a two-hour budgeting course for expecting families and families with infants up to three months old. Her colleagues noticed her positive attitude when she volunteered for the position.

"She's been very proactive, warm, friendly and outgoing," said Stewart. "And she's been willing to take on any task that she's seen me do."

Stewart also recognized the contributions of other volunteers and the valuable experience they've gained. Jessica Kopf, 22, receptionist, gained experience in PowerPoint presentations.

"Volunteers get to learn new skills," said Stewart. "And

that's good for resume-building. She (Kopf) put PowerPoint presentations together, and headquarters is now using that presentation society-wide."

Volunteers don't have to worry about child care or gas prices while volunteering for the society because child care is covered from the time they drop their child off to the time they pick them up. Gas mileage is reimbursed, too.

NMCRS is always looking for volunteers. For more information on how to become a member or to make a donation, contact Sarah Stewart at 953-5697 or visit <http://www-nmcp.mar.med.navy.mil/NMCRS/volunteer.asp>.

Bravo Zulu!!!

Navy Achievement Medal

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